



Cholla District Network News



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Free Foreclosure Workshop For Homeowners on August 7. Take Charge America, a non-profit credit counseling organization and the Arizona Better Business Bureau are hosting a free Homeowners' Survival Event on Saturday, August 7, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive.

Distressed homeowners can meet one-on-one with HUD (Housing and Urban Development) certified counselors and a HECM (Home Equity Conversion Mortgage) counselor to get answers and resources for their housing situation. Individuals attending the event should bring the most recent copies of their loan documents.

In addition to counseling, homeowners can attend free workshops with local industry experts on topics related to adjustable rate mortgages, short sales, foreclosures, tax implications and scams. To view the complete workshop schedule and to register in advance for workshops, please [click here](#). Walk-ins are also welcome.

For more information on this event call (602) 212-2251.

Be Monsoon Ready! The Arizona monsoon hit the Valley with a vengeance last week and more wet weather is predicted the next few weeks. Glendale reminds residents this type of weather can be unpredictable, so when it strikes, it's best to be ready. The city provides several resources to help you be monsoon ready!

Monsoon Website. The city's monsoon website provides information about what to do before and during a storm, some of the information includes:

- How to drive safely in a monsoon, including information on the 'Stupid Motorist Law'
- Contact information for local utilities and city resources
- Details on creating a household emergency plan with a ready kit

Visit www.glendaleaz.com/monsoon to learn how to be monsoon ready.

Monsoon Safety Show. Glendale 11 is providing residents an in-depth look at Arizona's weather phenomenon, the monsoon. "Monsoon: Eye on the Storm," produced in partnership with CBS 5, gives viewers important and interesting information about the monsoon, safety tips and local resources for storm season emergencies. To watch this show, go to [the city's monsoon website](#) and click on "Watch Video Now" or check the [Glendale 11 TV guide](#) for future airings.

Register Now for Glendale Parks and Recreation Fall Programs. The fall 2010 issue of the Glendale Parks and Recreation magazine is now available and registration for classes is now open! This fall the Glendale Parks and Recreation department is offering over 400 different programs including special interest classes, after school programs, sports and more! Register now to save your space!

To browse the fall magazine or to register online visit www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation/magazine.cfm. To pick up a copy of the magazine visit the Glendale Parks and Recreation office, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue or the Foothills Recreation and Aquatic Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Drive. If you would like to request that a copy of the magazine be sent to you, please call (623) 930-2820.



CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

Loop 101 closed at Union Hills Drive Beardsley Road closed starting Monday

Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) will be closed overnight tonight (Aug. 6) as work continues on the Union Hills Drive Bridge widening project. All traffic will be diverted up and over Union Hills Drive while crews pour concrete on the bridge.

- 11 p.m. Friday - 7 a.m. Saturday (Aug. 7)

There is ongoing work along the shoulder area of Loop 101. Please be aware of those active work zones and obey the 55 mph speed limit where posted.

[Click here](#) for more information and on going restrictions.

Around Town

[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.

Stop In for Small Business Counseling. No appointments are necessary for "Walk-In Counseling with SCORE" from 12:15-3:45 p.m. on Saturday, August 7 in the small meeting room of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) can advise on all areas of business, from start-up information to marketing and accounting concerns. The counseling is free. For more information about SCORE, call (602) 745-7250.

Authors @ the Teague. Local author and nationally syndicated columnist Kathy Cano-Murillo, a.k.a. "The Crafty Chica," will discuss and sign her first novel, "Waking Up in the Land of Glitter," during the next Authors @ the Teague. The event takes place at 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 7 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. The program is free. Books will be available for purchase and signing. For more information, please call (623) 930-3439.

Teen Library Council Meeting. By joining the Teen Library Council, young adults can earn volunteer service hours, have a good time, and meet new people, all while helping to make the library a better place for teens. Attend the Thursday, August 12 Teen Library Council Meeting from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. The library is currently recruiting teens, ages 12-18, to provide input on the selection of books and music for the branch's teen collection. Council members also participate in the planning and presentation of library teen events. For more information or to register, call (623) 930-3431, then press "7" at the prompt and choose Velma Teague Library.

Upcoming Election Information. The next City of Glendale election will be a primary held on August 24, 2010. [Read more.](#)

Free Basic Computer Classes. Glendale Main Library is offering free basic computer classes in Email, Word and Internet beginning in August, and continuing through October.

The classes focus on introductory computer skills and are geared toward adults who have little or no computer skills. Participants will learn to create a personal email account and learn how to use and manage email; learn the basics of Microsoft Word and pick up key points for composing resumes in this widely used software program; and discover how to use the Internet and get the answers to Internet questions.

All classes are held on Monday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown Street. Classes are taught by volunteer computer instructor Kate Sylvester. Course offerings include:

- Email - August 9, September 13, October 4
- Word - August 16, September 20, October 18
- Internet - August 23, September 27, October 25

For more information and to register for classes, call (623) 930-3530 and press 5.

Friday Nite Lights: Dog Days of Summer. Enjoy this fun filled night with your pet from 5-9 p.m., Friday, August 20th. Start your evening at the Glendale Visitor Center to pick up a walking map and take a spin on the prize wheel. Some of the activities include photo stations, Frosty Paw treats, Topaz from the Glendale Fire Department, watering stations, story hour, pet aura photos, fresh baked dog treats, pet gifts & accessories and a pet parade. The Glendale Visitor Center, located at 5800 W. Glenn Drive, #140, is also collecting pet supplies to benefit the Sun Valley Animal Shelter during the event. [Click here](#) or call (623) 930-4500 for more information. Friday Nite Lights is held the 3rd Friday every month, year-round with new themes and is presented by the Downtown Historic Business Community and the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau.

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